

CITY OF CARLISLE
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, June 20, 2005

5:30 P.M.

Carlisle City Hall Council Chamber

Officials present: Mayor Ruth Randleman, Councilmembers Drew Merrifield, Pat Stump, Blair Dewey and Frank Shultz, Chief of Police Ron Fox, Deputy Clerk Pat Brehse and City Administrator Neil Ruddy. Councilmember Allen Wiese was absent. Also present were Project Splash Co-chairs Al and Melinda Huisinga and Parks and Recreation Superintendent Jim Briseno. Mayor Randleman called the meeting to order at 5:32 P.M.

It is felt that a season pass refund policy is needed because the aquatic center did not open by Memorial Day. Motion by Stump to AUTHORIZE THE REFUND OF THE FULL AMOUNT OF ANY UNUSED CARLISLE FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER SEASON PASS PRIOR TO THE OPENING DATE of each season. Second by Shultz. Councilmember Merrifield stated that refunds should be on a case by case basis. Roll call vote: Stump – Aye, Shultz – Aye, Dewey – Aye, Merrifield – Nay. Motion carried by a 3-1 vote of those present.

Melinda Huisinga reviewed the proposed opening schedule of Wednesday June 29 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. for Project Splash volunteer night, Thursday June 30 1:00 – 7:00 p.m. for public swim, Friday July 1 1:00 – 7:00 p.m. for public swim, Saturday July 2 1:00 – 7:00 p.m. for Grand opening ceremony, ribbon-cutting and free public swim, Sunday July 3 1:00 – 7:00 p.m. for public swim and Monday July 4 closed. Councilmember Merrifield stated that the aquatic center should be open on July 4th. It was reported that the July 4th Committee has requested that the aquatic center be closed on July 4th. Motion by Merrifield to APPROVE THE REVISED OPENING SCHEDULE WITH THE AQUATIC CENTER OPEN ON JULY 4TH. Second by Stump. Roll call vote: Merrifield – Aye, Stump – Aye, Shultz – Aye, Dewey – Aye. . Motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present.

The bill for additional sod at the aquatic center from Vance Grading and Landscaping in the amount of \$3,575.00 was presented for payment. It was explained that the cost is an extension of the unit price in the contract and that the sod is for an area adjacent to the rec center building inside the relocated fence on the north and an area on the slope outside the fence on the south. Motion by Dewey to APPROVE PAYMENT TO VANCE GRADING AND LANDSCAPING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,575.00 FOR SOD AT THE AQUATIC CENTER. Second by Shultz. Roll call vote: Dewey – Aye, Shultz – Aye, Stump – Aye, Merrifield – Nay. Motion carried by a 3-1 vote of those present.

Councilmember Shultz left the meeting at 6:05 P.M.

The PRIORITIZING OF POLICE DEPARTMENT ISSUES identified in the report “Preparing the Police Department for Future Community Development” by Moulder and Associates was discussed. The current policy requiring prior approval for employee training was discussed. Staff was directed to place the item on the July 27th agenda for possible change. The recommendation to establish a Mayor’s Public Safety Cabinet was discussed, including membership and inclusion of Fire/EMS. Ride alongs, increased community involvement, hiring part-time officers, use of reserve officers, complaint investigations, hiring a part-time secretary, monthly reports to the Council, repeater tower repairs, hiring and recruiting, 24/7 coverage and impounding vehicles were discussed. The highest priorities are hiring additional part-time officers from other departments and hiring a part-time secretary. It was explained that both would require additional revenue such as increased property taxes or increased franchise fees. Councilmember Merrifield stated that money has been found for other non-budgeted expenses. It was explained that these are one-time expenses and that personnel expenses are on-going expenses that have to be funded by an ongoing revenue stream.

Chief Fox reported on recent search warrant activities.

Motion by Stump to adjourn at 7:45 P.M. Seconded by Dewey. Roll call vote: Stump – Aye, Dewey – Aye, Merrifield – Aye. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

Ruth Randleman, Mayor

Attest:

Neil Ruddy, City Administrator